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SUBJECT: DEATH OF AMERICAN CITIZEN IUIE T. HIGASHI

PLEASE NOTIFY DR. JIM HIGASHI OF SAN FRANCISCO (STREET ADDRESS AT THIS TIME UNKNOWN OF THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE: I DEEPLY REGRET TO HAVE TO INFORM YOU THAT LOCAL CZECHOSLOVAK POLICE AUTHORITIES REPORTED TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA THAT IUIE T. HIGASHI BORN DEC 19, 1927 WAS KILLED IN THE AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 26 NEAR THE TOWN OF HAVLICKUV BROD WHEN THE TOUR BUS IN WHICH SHE WAS RIDING ON THE WAY TO PRAGUE CRASHED. SHE WAS THE ONLY FATALITY. TEN OTHER PASSENGERS WERE INJURED. AS LOCAL AUTHORITIES REQUIRE PROMPT ARRANGEMENTS, FOLLOWING ESTIMATES ARE PROVIDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND PLANNING. ESTIMATED COST OF EMBALMING AND RETURN TO NEW YORK BY AIR DOLS FIFTEEN HUNDRED, CREMATION AND AIR SHIPMENT TO NEW YORK DOLS ONE HUNDRED FIFTY, LOCAL BURIAL DOLS ONE HUNDRED FIFTY.

IF SHIPMENT DESIRED, YOU MAY PREFER TO HAVE YOUR LOCAL FUNERAL HOME MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU IN CONFORMANCE WITH THIS MESSAGE. UPON RECEIPT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF REQUIRED FUNDS, YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. ESTIMATE MINIMUM OF 5 DAYS REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO COMPLETE LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS PRIOR TO SHIPMENT. AS SOON AS AVAILABLE, SHIPMENT DATA WILL BE TELEGRAPHED TO U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, COPY OF A REPORT OF DEATH TO BE PREPARED BY EMBASSY WILL BE SENT TO YOU.

PLEASE TELEGRAPH FUNDS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO DIRECTOR, SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C.

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PLEASE INCLUDE IN MESSAGE NAME OF DECEASED AND NAME AND ADDRESS

OF FUNERAL HOME IN U.S. IF SHIPMENT DESIRED. YOU SHOULD HAVE
TELEGRAPHIC MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE.
PLEASE ACCEPT MY DEEP SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.
ARTHUR I. WORTZEL, CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, AMERICAN EMBASSY,
PRAGUE.
WORTZEL

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